

May 31, 2019

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

> Re: Annual Employment Report 2019

> > FCC Form 395

WC Docket No. 16-233

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Silke Communications, Inc., submitted herewith is the company's Common Carrier Annual Employment Report for 2019, along with a request for confidential treatment of FCC Form 395 data, consistent with Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 0.459.

A redacted version of this Report has been submitted electronically via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in Proceeding 16-233 (WC Docket 16-233).

Should any questions arise with respect to this matter, please communicate directly with this office.

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Enclosures

SILKE COMMNICATIONS, INC. COMMON CARRIER ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT REPORT FCC FORM 395 REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIALITY

47 C.F.R. 0.459

Silke Communications, Inc. ("Filer") requests confidential treatment of its common carrier annual employment report, FCC Form 395 ("Annual Employment Report"), pursuant to Section 0.459 of the Rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC Rules"), 47 C.F.R. § 0.459. In support of this request, Filer submits the following:

- (1) Filer requests that its Annual Employment Report and associated records be given confidential treatment and withheld from public inspection.
- (2) Filer's Annual Employment Report is submitted in compliance with FCC Rule Section 1.815, 47 C.F.R. § 1.815. As a telecommunications service provider, Filer is required to collect and report employment data, classifications and complaints. The information supplied by Filer is by its nature proprietary, entitled to safeguards and security measures.
- (3) The Annual Employment Report contains privileged information derived from Filer's internal records regarding personnel and events. Summaries of the number and type of employed persons, and their complaints (if any), are extremely sensitive. Filer's reports therefore should be accorded confidential treatment in accordance with Section 0.459 of FCC Rules.
- (4) Information contained in Filer's reports concerns the provision of telecommunications services provided Filer in a highly competitive marketplace. Disclosure of competitively and commercially sensitive employment data can have a direct, adverse effect on Filer. Privileged employment information can be negatively publicized, misinterpreted, or otherwise used to disadvantage former, prospective and existing employees, Filer's customers or agents, or Filer itself.
- (5) Disclosure of employment data could cause substantial competitive harm by damaging Filer's relations with vendors, competitors and customers. If Filer's employment report were to be released, efforts to address personnel and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) issues could be thwarted or discouraged. Filer's regulatory compliance could be unjustly questioned or jeopardized. If Filer's employment data is made public, ill-intentioned individuals could devise creative methods to inhibit, lure, deceive, threaten, or compromise Filer's employees. To prevent harm, Filer's Annual Employment Report must be withheld from public disclosure.

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- (6) Filer consistently seeks to prevent unauthorized disclosure of employment data. Prevention of improper or unauthorized access protects employee identities and personal information. Filer limits distribution of pertinent materials within its organization to persons who have a need for access to employment data and privileged personnel information, and who are aware of the security breaches that could be caused by unauthorized access to or misuse of employees' data and privacy. This confidentiality should extend to information submitted to the Commission in compliance with annual employment reporting rules. Filer does not share with unauthorized third parties confidential information or materials regarding employment data, complaints, human resource facilities or employee training. This information must remain confidential.
- (7) Information submitted in Filer's Annual Employment Report to the Commission is not available to the public or to third parties who are not under an obligation to treat the materials as confidential.
- (8) Materials related to Annual Employment Reports are not routinely available for public inspection and should be withheld from public disclosure now and in the future.
- (9) Public disclosure of any portion of sensitive information contained in the Annual Employment Report or related materials could expose Filer's employment protocols to untrustworthy persons, potentially compromising the security of the Filer's employees and network system. Such exposure would jeopardize public safety, the integrity of Filer's facilities and the security of Filer's human resources system.

For the foregoing reasons, Filer respectfully requests that its Annual Employment Report and related materials be awarded confidential treatment and be withheld from public inspection.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

Approved by OMB 3060-0076 Est. time per response: 1 hour

COMMON CARRIER ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT REPORT

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This is to advise the Commission that no complaints regarding violations of the equal employment provisions of Federal, state, territorial, or local statutes have been filed against this company before any body having competent jurisdiction in such matters during the calendar year covered by this report. This is to advise the Commission that the following complaints alleging violations of the provisions of any equal employment opportunity statute have been filed against this company. (Attach a list indicating parties involved, date filed, courts or agencies before which the matter has been heard, file number or other designation, and current status or disposition.															
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